

ASCA SANCTIONED ' ALL BREED AGILITY TRIAL (Open to ALL Dogs)

Hosted by

The Australian Shepherd Club of New England
(*Sanctioning pending)

1st Fall Fling Agility Trial

November 16 & 17, 2013

SureFire Dogs Training Center 57 Brigham St. Westborough, MA

JUDGE:

Ben Philibert, Massachusetts

CLASSES OFFERED:

Regular (2 Runs per day)

Jumpers (2 Runs Saturday/ 1 Run Sunday)

Gamblers (1 Runs Saturday/ 2 Runs Sunday)

Exhibition Class for Retired Canine Competitors (Saturday only)

Pre-novice (2 runs per day)

For Novice, Open, and Elite

Standard, Veterans and Jr. Handlers

LIMITED TO 350 Runs per Day

Entry by Postmark Date (not delivery date)
Please be sure that the envelope postmark is legible. Hand stamping
by the Post Office is recommended.

NO <u>POSTMARKS</u> EARLIER THAN September 25, 2013 ENTRIES/MOVE-UPS CLOSE November 6, 2013 @ 9 PM

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

This trial will be held under the current rules and regulations of ASCA. Exhibitors, through submission of an entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of current ASCA rules and regulations and agree to abide by all rules in effect at the time of this trial, including, but not limited to, the following:

- This trial is open to all dogs being at least eighteen (18) months of age, including purebred and non-purebred, except bitches in season, dogs suffering from any deformity, injury or illness that may affect the dog's physical or mental performance, or dogs exhibiting any signs of aggression towards people or other dogs.
- Dogs are not required to have an ASCA Registration, ASCA LEP, or Tracking number to enter this trial. However, to receive ASCA titling certificates, refer to the next bullet. Handlers do not need to be ASCA members. However, no entry will be accepted from anyone not in good standing with ASCA or any dog/handler disqualified from the ASCA agility program.
- Receipt of ASCA Titling Certificates -
 - Starting 1/1/2003 for non-ASCA registered dogs In order to have ASCA qualifying legs tracked and to receive ASCA titling certificates, each non-ASCA registered dog will be required to have an ASCA Tracking Number. This is a one-time fee of \$10/dog. At the time of applying for the tracking number, the individual owner must also be an ASCA member (minimum membership type of Service). ASCA membership does not need to be maintained in subsequent years. It will be the responsibility of the owner to identify to ASCA the shows and legs earned when applying for a Tracking Number after ASCA qualifying legs have already been earned. The ASCA Membership and Tracking Number Application form is included in this premium. For additional membership information, please go to www.asca.org.
- Current jump height table, breed exemption list, description of classes, levels, and divisions can be found at ASCA's web site <u>www.asca.org</u>.
- THE MANAGEMENT will not be responsible for the loss or damage to any dog exhibited, or for the possessions of any exhibitor whether the result was by accident or any other cause. It is distinctly understood that every dog at this event is in the care and custody and control of his owner or handler during the entire time the dog is on the show premises. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the Show Committee be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of fees paid will be made and the ASCA office will be informed of the problem.
- AGILITY OBSTACLES will include: rubberized slatted A-Frame, rubberized slatted Dog Walk, rubberized slat-less Teeter-totter, open tunnels (15' and 20'), non-winged jumps, winged jumps, double bar jump, non-displaceable 24" tire and 24" weave poles
- Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times.
- No food, toys, other aids or devices will be permitted on the course or within 10 feet of the rings at any time. Leashes are to be used on dogs entering and exiting the ring. Dogs do not wear collars on coarse.
- No entry shall be accepted from a handler or for a dog disqualified from the ASCA Agility program, disqualified from all ASCA programs, or anyone not in good standing with ASCA.

RULES & REGULATIONS:

ASCA rules: ASCA Business Office, 6091 E State Hwy 21, Bryan, TX 77808. Web: www.asca.org; e-mail: activities@asca.org.

TRIAL COMMITTEE

Agility Trial Chairperson Joanne Mason, joeymason@comcast.net 508-947-5101 Joanne Mason, joeymason@comcast.net 508-947-5101

Chief Ring Stewards Kathy Buckley and Carolyn McDonald

Chief Course Builder Lee Prager

Chief Scorekeeper Christine Carlson

FOOD / VENDORS

 No food vendor at this trial. Lunch and snacks will be available for volunteers. There are local eating establishments within a short driving distance.

ENTRY FORM / ENTRIES / CONFIRMATIONS:

- Entries will be accepted in the order they are sent, not received. For entries sent via Postal Service, the valid reference date is the postmark. Otherwise the valid date is the ship date.
 Entries with an early postmark will be processed after Day 5 receipts. Unreadable postmarks will be assumed to be the day previous to receipt.
- Entries may be accepted after the closing date if the trial does not fill.
- ASCA Registration/Tracking No If your dog is an ASCA registered Australian Shepherd (either full registration or LEP) or has an ASCA Tracking Number, write your dog's ASCA registration/LEP number/Tracking Number in this space.
- If this field is left blank, the ASCA Business Office will assume this dog is not registered with ASCA and will not automatically track qualifying legs. However, these dogs will still be placed and will receive any placement awards offered. You may submit the Tracking Form with your entry – HOWEVER, please make fees payable to ASCA.
- Junior Handler entry fees will be one-half of the published fees. To be eligible for this discount, the Junior Handler must own or co-own the dog they are showing.
- "For Exhibition Only" entries will not be accepted.
- A dog must compete in the height division in which they have been entered. Exception: when a dog is required by the judge to move to a higher height. These dogs will be placed last in the running order of the new jump height.
- **RETIRED EXHIBITION**: To honor our four-legged friends who have taught us and brought us to where we are, we are proud to offer this exhibition class for retired canine competitors. To be eligible, a dog must have previously competed in agility but is now retired from all competitive jumping classes. The class is not limited by age. The course will be a simple Jumpers course (jumps and tunnels only). On the entry form, specify the jump height (bars on the ground is ok; 16" will be the maximum height allowed).
- PRE-NOVICE: Dogs must be at least 12 months of age: no teeter or weave poles; specify jump height dogs younger than 18 months must jump at least 4" lower than their standard jump height; no toys or treats.
- Canadian Exhibitors: All fees MUST be submitted in US Funds via International Postal Money Order.
- Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. Returned checks will incur a \$25 service charge.
- Telephone calls returned/initiated with questions on any entries will be made collect.

SHOW SITE:

- This event will be held indoors. Trial surface is rubber matting over concrete. Limited, indoor, heated crating is available for this event. Please plan to stack crates where possible. Crate in designated areas only. ABSOLUTELY NO X-PENS or PERSONAL CHAIRS ALLOWED IN THE CRATING AREA. Please bring a water proof barrier to place under your crate(s).
- A warm-up area, a single practice jump and a set of 6 weave poles will be provided for exhibitors outside the building.
- ALL dogs must be held on leash or crated except when competing or in the warm-up area.
- Enthusiasts of agility have earned a reputation for being among the most considerate and tidy.
 We thank everyone in advance for upholding the respectful tradition of leaving the trial site and related lodging sites cleaner than we found them.

REFUNDS / WITHDRAWALS:

- There will be no refund/credit for entries withdrawn after the closing date, except for a dog's injury and/or illness or for bitches that come into season after the closing date. These entries will be eligible for a voucher for the amount of the total entry fee paid less \$20.00. A signed letter from your veterinarian must be included with your written request. Requests must be received by the trial secretary prior to the start of the trial. Voucher must be used towards another ASCNE agility trial. There will be no refunds if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public

enemy, strike, or any other cause beyond the control of the Event Committee. There will be no refund in the event dog/handler are dismissed from the competition, regardless of reason.

RULE CHANGE HIGHLIGHTS

Effective 1OCT2013: Judges will still calculate the times based on the level and the challenges. However the time allowed to complete the gamble will be determined by the height being jumped. Dogs jumping 20"/20"+/24" will receive X seconds, dogs jumping 16"/16"+ will receive X+2 seconds, dogs jumping 8"/12" will receive X+4 seconds and dogs jumping 4" will receive X+6 seconds.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AND RING ASSIGNMENTS

<u>Saturday</u> – EJ1/EJ2, OJ1/OJ2, NJ1/NJ2, Retired Exhibition, PN1/PN2, EG1, OG1, NG1, ER1/ER2, OR1/OR2, NR1/NR2

<u>Sunday</u> – EG2, OG2, NG2, EG3, OG3, NG3, ER3/ER4, OR3/OR4, NR3/NR4, PN3/PN4, EJ3, OJ3, NJ3

 $E=Elite,\,O=Open,\,N=Novice,\,PN=Pre-Novice,\,J=Jumpers,\,R=Regular,\,G=Gamblers$ Run order low to high on Sat. High to low on Sun. The running order of classes is subject to change at the discretion of the judge and/or the host club. The final order will be included in the confirmation packet.

REGISTRATION / MEASURING

- Saturday and Sunday between 7:00 and 7:30AM
- Copies of ASCA, NADAC or AKC height cards may either be mailed in or presented at registration for dogs not entered in 20 +" & 24" height (16 +" Veterans and Jr. Handlers).
 Otherwise they will need to be measured at registration.
- MOVE-UPS: Dogs receiving titles prior to the closing date listed on this premium <u>may</u> be upgraded by providing written notice to the Show Secretary. A letter or e-mail containing the following information is required: the owner's full name, the dog's call name and ASCA number, entered class, and from and to level.
- Move-ups from Saturday to Sunday will be permitted. Trial Secretary must be notified no later than 15 minutes after the last class on Saturday has finished.

PRIZES / AWARDS

- Green & Gold Qualifying Ribbons will be awarded to all dogs achieving a qualifying score.
- Fuscia and Black Title Ribbons will be awarded to all dogs achieving a title.
- Placement Ribbons will be awarded to all dogs placing 1st through 4th in each class and jump height.
- Ribbons/prizes must be picked up during the weekend. Ribbons WILL NOT be mailed.

JUMP HEIGHTS -

Dog's height	11" &	14" &	18" &	20" &		Over 20"		
at withers	under	under	Under	Under	Over 20" Optio			
Standard	8"	12"	16"	20"	20+ (jumps 20") 24'			
Vets	4"	8"	12"	16"	16+ (jumps 16")			
JrH	may jump at the standard jump height or 4" lower							

- A dog may be entered in a class at a jump height higher than they are eligible provided the dog is not entered in the Veteran Division classes.
- No dog shall ever jump lower than 4" in the Junior Handler or Veteran Division.
- 20+ and 24 will be placed and scored together as one class.
- Refer to the current ASCA rulebook for the current Breed Jump Height Exemption List.

<u>Directions to SureFire Dogs Training Center</u> 57 Brigham Street Suite 2 Westborough, MA 01581

Directions to the Site:

From the North:

FROM ROUTE 495: Take Exit 23B Route 9 West. Once on Rt. 9 go 1.7 miles to Rt. 30 West exit on right. At end of Ramp turn right onto Rt. 30. Straight on Rt. 30 1.5 miles. At second set of lights turn left into Bay State Commons. Follow the access road through the shopping center staying to the left for .4 miles. Keep Stein Mart on your right and follow the road behind Stein Mart. Turn left onto Brigham St., * a gravel road, follow for .2 miles, turn right into the parking lot and our building will be on your left side. Do not drive past the building. SureFire Dogs entrance is on your left towards the end of the building.

From the East:

FROM MASS PIKE traveling EAST: Take Exit 11 Route 122 Millbury. After paying toll, go right off the exit ramp on 122 South for 1.5 miles. Take a left on Bridge St. Rt. 30 East go .1 mile. At lights, take left following Rt. 30 East for .2 mile. At first light, go right following Rt. 30 East for 6 miles into the Westborough rotary. Take the second right out of the rotary onto Brigham Street. Continue on Brigham St. for .7 miles, * follow directions above

ACCOMMODATIONS - Make your Reservations Early!!!

Hotels that accept dogs are quickly becoming a rarity. Please behave responsibly! Clean up after your dog, bring sheets to cover the furniture, do not groom or bathe your dog inside, do not leave your dog(s) unattended in the room, and please be respectful of other guests who do not have to be up at 6:00 a.m. The prices listed below are subject to change.

Red Roof Inn 367 Turnpike Road Southborough, MA (800) 843-7663 (508) 481-3904 Rate: \$66.00 No pet fees. Please do not leave dogs unattended in room. If you mention the code VP# 616266, you will get a 15% discount.

Motel 6 399 Turnpike Road Westborough, MA (800) 466-8356 (508) 366-0202 Rate: \$60.00 No charge for first dog, \$10/day for two dogs.

Extended Stay 19 Connector Road, Computer Drive and 180 East Main Street Westborough, MA (800) 804-3724 or (508) 616-0155 Rate: \$80.00 \$25 per day, non-refundable pet fee. 1-2 pets per room. Weight, size and breed restrictions may apply

SOME MOTEL COURTESIES TO OBSERVE:

- Cover the motel's bedding with a sheet, whether or not you think your dog will get on the bed.
- If you crate your dog, please bring a towel to put under the crate to keep marks off the rug. Bring a towel to put under your dog's food dish.
- Make every effort to have your dog free of fleas BEFORE arriving.
- All poop must be picked up, bagged, and disposed of properly by the dog's handler. The Event Committee will excuse competitors who fail to pick up after their dogs at the trial site or motel.
- Don't leave your dog unattended. If you must leave, take them with you.



ASCA MEMBERSHIP AND TRACKING NUMBER APPLICATION FORM

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Please type or print clearly. Incomplete or illegible forms will be returned.

Membership Application:

Owner's Name (1)
Owner's Name (2)
Owner's Address:
City, State, Postal Code:
Phone Number:E-mail:
Service Membership Fee: \$10.00 per person (If you are interested in other membership types, go to www.asca.org)
I (We) agree to abide by the ASCA Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and all ASCA Rules and Regulations governing the ASCA Registry and all other ASCA programs.
Owner's Signature (1):
Owner's Signature (2):
Dog Information: Lifetime fee for tracking number is \$10.00 per dog for ASCA Members
Dog's Full Name:
Dog's Call Name:
Any/All Previous Registration Numbers Used:
Sex: Birth date:
Breed:
Events/Qs Earned Since 1/1/2003

Mail completed form with check or money order to:
ASCA Business Office
6091 E State Highway 21, Bryan, TX 77808

Volunteer Sign-Up (...We Really Need Your Support)

As at every event, no club can pull off a trial without the help and support of our exhibitors to keep the agility trial running smoothly and efficiently. **We will not be able to do this without your involvement.** Working in and around the ring is a great way to increase your knowledge and understanding of the sport. If you have a guest or significant other who would be willing to work at the trial, we'd be thrilled!

We appreciate your help and will do what we can for your comfort, including a volunteer workers' refreshment area, lunch and raffle.

We plan on having a volunteer sign-up board available each morning of the trial.

Thank you for volunteering and making this a better show for everyone. We couldn't do it without you!

ATCH

If you think you might get your ATCH please check here _____so we can have your bar and ribbon ready!! Your name:_____

Free On-Site Camping Pre-registration is required

Limited space is available. There are no hook-ups. It is first come, first serve. Registrations will not be accepted before September 25th.

Camping on:	Friday	Saturday		
Name:				
Address:				
City, State, Zip				
Phone:				
Length	Т	vpe	License #	

Please mail/email ALL camping registration information no later than 11/6/13 to:

joeymason@comcast.net

or Joey Mason

93 Highland Street, Middleboro, MA 02346

You will be notified within the week if you secured a spot.

For Your Records - Summary of Entries

Entries Mailed:			
Check #:	Amount:		
Dog 1:			
Dog 2:			
Dog 3:			
Accommodations:			
Hotel:		Confirmation #:	
Directions:			

AGREEMENT

The patron who signs this agreement represents that he/she is authorized to enter into this agreement on behalf of both exhibitor and the owner of entered dog. In consideration of acceptance of this entry:

- 1.1 As used here "ASCA" means the Australian Shepherd Club of America, Inc., its affiliate clubs and each of their members, officers, directors, employees, show chairs, show committees, and agents.
- 1.2 Exhibitor/owner is knowledgeable of and agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of ASCA governing sanctioned agility trials, and any other rules and regulations appearing in the premium for this event.
- 1.3 Exhibitor/owner certifies that the entered dog is not a hazard to persons, dogs, or property and that the entered dog's rabies vaccination is current in accordance with the requirement of the state in which the dog resides.
- 1.4 Exhibitor/owner acknowledges all hazards presented by the event and the event premises, including, but not limited to, the condition of the floors, stairways, halls, lighting, security measures or lack of, electrical appliances, fitting, show rings, parking areas, and the presence of unfamiliar animals and people; exhibitor and owner assume the risk of any harm arising from these.
- 1.5 Exhibitor/owner releases ASCA (including ASCA officers, directors, employees, and members), the Australian Shepherd Club of New England (including its officers, directors, members, agents, employees and event organizing committee), SureFire Dogs Training Center, Inc. (including its officers, directors, members, owners and employees) and will defend them and hold them harmless from all present and future loss, injury, damage, claims, demands and liabilities involving the entered dog, event, or event premises. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing hold harmless provisions, exhibitor/owner hereby specifically assume sole responsibility for, and agree to indemnify and save aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expenses (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damages because of bodily injuries, including death, at any time in consequence of my(our) participation in this event, howsoever such injury, or death may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.

I have read, understood, and I acknowledge the above Agreement.							
Signature of Owner/Exhibitor	Date						
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian of Minor	Date						
Junior Handler entry fees are one-half of the Std/Vet entry fee. The junior must own or co-own the dog being shown to be eligible for the discount.							
Does this junior exhibitor own or co-own the dog being entered? Yes No							

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM ASCA SANCTIONED ALL-BREED AGILITY TRIAL

Australian Shepherd Club of New England (ASCNE) November 16-17 2013 SureFire Dogs, Westborough, MA

Return this completed entry form with entry fees made payable in U.S. funds to:

ASCNE c/o Joey Mason

93 Highland Street, Middleboro, MA 02346

Exhibitor/Owner must read and sign reverse side of this form for entry to be valid.

Owner/Handler	Information		checl	k if new	address	S	
Owner:							
Address:							
City:							
Telephone:							
E-mail:							
Confirmations will be sent by e-mail unless of							
	Identification						
Dog's Call Name:							
Breed:			Birth	Date:			
Dog's Height At Withers: Sex:							
Circle ACTUAL Jump Height Dog will Jun	np: 4" 8"	12"	16"	16+"	20"	20+"	24"
Is the <u>Handler Disabled</u> or <u>Handler a Veteran</u>	taking jump h	eight	exem	ption?			_
Dog's ASCA Registration/LEP/Tracking No:			(See Enti	y Form	section)
Registered Name:							
Handler (If different from Owner):							

Check off all classes you are entering, and a Level and Division for each of those classes

CLASSES	DIVISION				DAY					
CLASSES	Std	Vet	JrH	Pre-Nov	N	0V	Open	Elite	Sat	Sun
Gamblers 1										
Gamblers 2										
Gamblers 3										
Jumpers 1										
Jumpers 2										
Jumpers 3										
Regular 1					Α	В				
Regular 2					Α	В				
Regular 3					Α	В				
Regular 4					Α	В				
Retired	□ Bars on Ground □ 4" □ 8" □ 12" □ 16" (Bio on Back)									

FEES: Std & Vo	et \$12/run; PreNov \$8/run; JrH 5	0% discount TOTAL	FEES \$
Please make che	cks payable to ASCNE.		
If entry cannot be	read or is incomplete, secretary can:	call collect return er	ntrv e-mail